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An injury to one is an injury to all

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Our motto: One union, one label, one enemy

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I. W. W. IN SEATTLE
WINS FREE SPEECH

We have won our fight for free speech. Our case came up for trial Saturday, March 13, and was put off till the prosecution or rather the persecution, could get witnesses. This was done after they had learned the defense we were going to make. It is strange how the law can forget its own charges! Tuesday the case came up again. The city prosecuting attorney is the chairman of the Republican campaign committee. It was put up to him straight as being the old game of politics and designing politicians. His attention was drawn to the fact that the previous administration had been destroyed trying to suppress free speech and that history repeats itself. He had the nerve to say that he did not allow any political speeches in the honorable court. The court was informed that the matter was outside its jurisdiction, as the court had no power to abridge the constitution of the United States, which acknowledged the right of free speech.

Employment Sharks in Danger.

When the sergeant that made the arrest, was put on the stand, he admitted that the employment sharks had prevailed upon him to see if anything could be done to stop the talk against the sharks and their nefarious method of fleecing the workers. The sharks had the petty larceny, cockroach, putty-faced, blind-pig, hole-in-the-wall, pumuit-political-merchants to give evidence against us. These profit mongers are the arch liars and past masters in the art of prevarication and exaggeration, as it is the secret of advertising. Three little knippers: A tonsorial whistler, a cabbage leaf eizer stand blik, and a five-cent moving picture theatrical manager, all appeared in the role of a career that disgraced the name of man. When their epitaph is written by the workers, it should tell all that these vultures would do for a month full of the putrid carcass of SLAVERY. And the forty pieces of silver: Indus had manhood enough left to hang himself. These three sheenies are squeezing the eagles on the forty pieces of silver. Their screams are terrifying the workers on Washington Street.

Case Dismissed.

When all the misrepresentation was over, the persecuting chairman of the Republican campaign committee told the judge that there would be no decision at this time, and the judge so ruled. The three little perjurers looked like sheenies at a sheriff's sale. A flood of bursted gall gave their hawkish faces a saffron hue as they snickered their way back to their skin game on Washington Street.

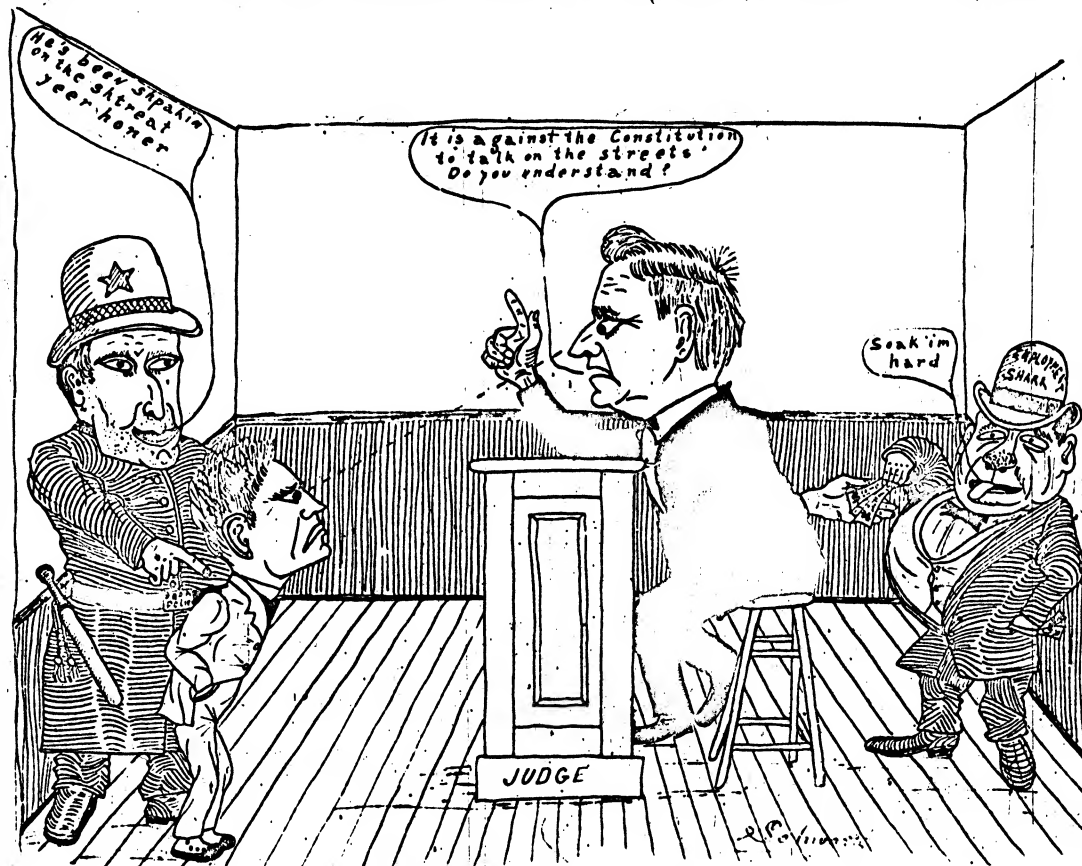
Holding Meetings as Usual.

We have held several meetings since the trial and have not been molested, although the theatrical misarrange has tried to show the police that we have the streets obstructed. But the officer seemed to remember that we have a local union of the public service department that takes in all that work in that department. It was stated on the witness stand that the coppers worked for a few coppers a day, and when they became class conscious they would see that their interests were the same as those of the workers. Well, the law turn green with envy. Well they know, that when once the workers stop fighting each other, the law of property that governs man to the benefit of the owners of property and the exclusion of the propertyless shall have to give way to the economic law of food, clothing, and shelter; the law of the social science that is the foundation of the most lofty attributes of man. Moral and ethical law is determined by economic law.

Capitalist Virtue.

The law of "capital," which steals the food, clothing and shelter of the working class has its resulting morals and ethics, which morals can best be seen in the RED hell of prostitution, where virtue is sold for food, clothing and shelter and which ethics can be seen in the enslaving of man by man. The capitalist class and their lackspittles throw the industrial workers of the world into their bastiles, trying to protect the "honor" of capitalist society which consists of prisons and bastiles; but to no avail. This only drags it from its hiding place and presents it to the workers who can then see what they have been taught to tolerate.

Then sharks are behind this move. We



Employment Sharks Will Pay Their Share Will the Judges Take It?

must best them, if we intend ever to win a glorious victory like our Fellow Workers in France have just gained. Their INDUSTRIAL STRIKE is a howling success. Their French Government is forced to withdraw their dictation. Taft told the truth, for once in his life, when he said this organization has more strength and power than the Government with the courts, and army and navy put together.

J. C. CONAHAN.

LEARN THE CAUSE
APPLY THE REMEDY

The greatest enemy to capitalism is education. That is why the Industrial Workers of the World carry on such a propaganda for there is nothing so dangerous for the master class as an educated slave. The I. W. W. realizes that knowledge is force, and without knowledge, discipline is impossible. Education gives us a clear perception of duty, and makes us practical men and women. Education familiarizes us with the history of those who have gone on before, and knowing their mistakes, we profit by their experience. Knowledge is manifold, and knowing one's self is the greatest of all knowledge, and man by studying man, quickly learns what is best for him. He learns that food, clothing and shelter are necessary for his existence, and by education he is shown the shortest cut across lots for getting them. That cut across lots is organization; that organization is force, and an organization founded on such a basis will lead to emancipation.

I. W. W. No Mushroom Growth.

The members of the I. W. W. have not joined the Union in a moment of enthusiasm, but from the cold-blooded fact that in order to get that which they produce, they must organize into a working class union, and they know at all times that they have nothing to lose but their chains. They have learned from sad experience that craft unions are out-of-date and cannot cope with the ever-growing power of the employing class and by the knowledge of scientific principles, they have united with the common understanding that "the working class, and the employing class have nothing in common."

The I. W. W. has its daily school and propaganda meetings to educate and fan the flame of discontent. That is why we maintain libraries and reading rooms with the best works on science, economics and sociology.

We have learned that, since the race began, there have been class struggles; in every state of society, ancient and modern, labor has been robbed, degraded and

subjected. The working class must be freed by the working class. Society must be re-built by the working class. The working class must be employed by the working class.

CHARLES GRANT.

UNION MEETING AT
THE COURT HOUSE

After the arrest of National Organizer J. H. Walsh for speaking on the street for the I. W. W., some weeks ago, he was convicted of the crime of street speaking by police judge Maun and fined \$10.00 and costs. The case was appealed to the Superior Court as an object lesson. When the case was called before Judge Hinkle, the demurrer of the union's attorney V. T. Tustin was of course over-ruled. The trial will take place in the Spokane County Court House on April 6th. All union men should be present at this entertainment—the admission is free. Those interested in the repeal of the United States constitution by the Spokane employment agents will have a chance to laugh—not out loud. The decision of this court will be a jewel in the brilliant career of Hinkle or some of the other sprags. It will make the ever-growing power of the employing class apparent. Judging from the justice handed out to the I. W. W. men heretofore in Spokane, we can expect that not much difficulty will be made on account of the constitution. Even the Indians were allowed to agitate in their tribes. But we are living on "the civilized plane"—and two meals a day.

Funeral notice later. Please omit flowers.

BOSSES FEAR THE I. W. W.

Frank Smith and three other Fellow Workers were discharged from the Union Iron Works in Spokane on Monday last. Fred Scott, the foreman, stated that he had heard that they attended I. W. W. meetings and that he did not approve of that kind of thing. This shows the quaking fear of these cockpunches for Industrial Union. We shall make these lackeys come to their milk trough before long. The I. W. W. grows in spite of such contemptible persecution.

It is enough for industrial unionists to regret that non-thinkers lay aside their rights, we can not allow the non-thinkers the strange privilege of impeding the proclamation and realization of the right of the thinking minority.—Pouget.

THE SAME OLD STORY
IS TOLD ONCE MORE

Some time ago, I saw an ad. on the boards of the "Red Cross" employment office: "Men wanted 400 miles south; Free Fare." I paid two dollars for the job and the following evening landed at Deeks and Deeks' camp, Weatherby, Ore. I was told that a man who stayed a week, was an old man on the job. On the third day the foreman called up the gang and picked out a few who had not worked there long enough to pay the hospital fee. These he sent back to work and fired the rest of the gang—about thirty men. We went on our way with stakes ranging from 50 cents to \$5.00 and most of us were broke and hungry before getting another job. We were fired because the contractors had just got a wire that 100 more men would arrive from Spokane and Portland on the noon train. There were easily 5,000 men sent there to this camp in two months and there were never more than 100 working at any one time.

The employment sharks, such as the "Red Cross," hire the men. They charged \$2.00 fee. The shark gets part and the boss gets the rest for firing the men. The men average three or four days on the works. This rake-off and the hospital fee—there is no hospital, of course—pay about half of the work on the job. The Red Cross sold us some jobs at Cheney for Porter Bros. This was for bridge work. The foreman denied ever having ordered any men from the Red Cross.

G. B. TAILMAN.

This letter is the eighty-fifth received this week with complaints such as the above.—Editor.

The I. W. W. has a fine reading room and library in the headquarters, 412 to 420 Front avenue, rear, Spokane. Here can be found the working class papers from all over the world. The French and German, the Austrian and Italian industrial union papers and all the publications of importance on the labor movement the world over. Anarchist and Socialist and independent papers are to be found here. The reading room and library are open every day in the year from nine o'clock in the morning till nine o'clock in the evening. Come in and read and mix with us. If you work for wages you look good to us! We all belong to the same nation in the I. W. W.—the nation of workers.

Within less than half a mile from the Davenport restaurant or the Silver Grill, are men who are literally faint from hunger and thousands who are starving by degrees—from bad food, bad air, and dirt.

IT'S A LONG LANE
THAT HAS NO TURN

On Saturday afternoon, March 27, one of the members of the I. W. W. in Spokane, Albert V. Roe, was beaten up by an employment shark. Many other workmen had been beaten by the same shark—that is, beaten out of their money. This employment shark, like Bill Nye's bulldog, "oozed" out of Lyon's employment den on Front Ave. Roe was selling the Industrial Worker on the street and had not got a permit from the Employment Sharks Association which regulates the lower part of the City. Roe was struck from behind and having only one arm, was unable to defend himself. None of the I. W. W. men were near enough to stop the assault and afterwards the Prosecuting Attorney was seen about the matter and he of course refused to issue a warrant. At the police station the union men were met with the usual sympathetic attention of the officers who love the I. W. W. most devotedly.

Same Old Story.

About a year ago, Paul Seidler, a boy of eighteen or twenty, was clubbed by one of the deputy sheriffs in the New York Restaurant for posting up notices of the trouble in Goldfield, Nevada. These notices were sent out by the I. W. W. and the Western Federation of Miners. The boy had the permission of the restaurant proprietor to post the bills. Not content with clubbing Seidler, this deputy called on a number of the bystanders and Seidler was sent to the hospital to have his head sewed up. This was an unprovoked and wanton crime and the authorities refused to investigate the matter. Those outrages on the part of the Spokane police and deputies are numerous. Not long ago, police officers entered the sleeping room of the secretary of the I. W. W. in Spokane at 2 A. M. in the morning and searched the room. Finding no dynamite bombs nor cannon they finally retired. It seems that the artillery had been overlooked—at least the slugs were unable to place it. What with the employment agents and the police, the interest in the I. W. W. has not been allowed to flag in the least. Last summer, Jones of the Empire Employment office got a megaphone and interrupted the street meeting of the union on Stevens St. The speaker adjourned the meeting and the police took Jones to the station—for what? To arrest him? No, for "protection!"

Secure From Punishment.

A little while after this, at an afternoon meeting on Stevens St., Travers of the Red Cross Employment Agency, threatened the speaker in front of a large crowd and then struck at one of the men who was selling papers for the union. Travers was never tried though a warrant was supposed to be issued for his arrest. Then again, a few weeks ago, Harry Richards of the Washington Water Power Co. formerly, and whose father is one of the main-men in the W. W. P. Co., assaulted the editor of this paper and arrested him without warrant and for no offence, other than for being an "agitator." Disorderly conduct was supposed to be the charge. This happened on the steps of the union hall. Richards was trespassing on private property. If this had happened at night and in a hotel, it might be supposed that the officer was assisting Shannon in making a round of inspection for marriage licenses.

Have We Any Redress?

These things may be looked on as small in themselves but are very instructive. This last assault on Roe—a one armed man—should however be called cowardly and intolerable even by the Spokane police and officials. Not long ago Macho—another employment shark—was able to secure the conviction of one of the I. W. W. men on the evidence which was so flimsy that even the police judge commented on it. The man struck at Macho and hit Macho's back, while Macho was facing the man!

There are people in Spokane who, while not friendly to the I. W. W., would not justify all the villainies that are perpetrated on working men, and that without any redress. Such people should be fair enough to ask themselves the question whether a cripple is to be assaulted in

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To Our Friends: We are in need of items of news for workers from all points. In writing for the Industrial Worker, articles should not contain over one thousand words at most. Write in PLAIN, SHORT WORDS—the every-day language of us workers—and we can understand it.

Always send in a bunch of subscriptions if possible.

If the workers had the proper spirit, there would not be a ragged man in town today nor a well-dressed loafer.

Workingmen should stop buying silk dresses and automobiles for the wives of their employers. It is immoral!

Why not put up ONE GOOD FIGHT against the boss—before you starve to death on the installment plan?

The City Hall grafters should suppress the Industrial Worker. If they do, it will wake us up a little more, that's all.

Easter celebrates the resurrection of the dead. It is a sublime idea. But why not LIVE while in this world, workingman?

Do you know of another paper in this part of the country that tells the truth for the benefit of the workingman and has no political axe to grind?

Many of the boys have left town for outside jobs to make another BIG STAKE. With each member an agitator, there should be a big crop of Reds by Fall.

The only thing that should give a workingman real satisfaction is to better his condition at the expense of his employer. Only the ONE UNION can do this.

How much better off are you than you were last Spring? Or the year before—or the year before that? Same old story! Then ORGANIZE, ORGANIZE!

DIRECT ACTION is what the employers fear. Were the bosses ever afraid of "politics"? The bosses make the politics to fool the workers. Get wise to the game.

MIGHT has always ruled the world and does today. MIGHT is RIGHT. When the workers are organized they will have the MIGHT and be RIGHT for the first time.

C. D. Kent of the Empire Employment Office is still at large and will be if we wait for the Spokane police to catch him. Kent is a thief and has robbed hundreds of workingmen.

The Industrial Worker is anything but popular with the employment sharks. This speaks well for it and is another reason why you should take the paper—if you are a workingman.

Herman Anderson went into the police station and scared the heroes most to death the other day. The bulls thought Anderson was a leper, or an employment agent. False alarm! He only had the "measles."

We understand that Officer Shannon inspects the marriage licenses. He is a zealous officer. There has been no immorality in Spokane since the affair of Shannon and the switchman and wife at the Spokane Hotel!

Our attention has been called to the fact that the A. F. of L. carpenters are scabbing on the A. F. of L. bridge and structural iron workers in Spokane. There is quite a long article in the "Chronicle" about this—as if it were anything out of the ordinary for the A. F. of L. carpenters to scab! It should be taken for granted.

The teamsters are having their yearly wrangle with the team-owners. There are men in the EMPLOYERS' association No. 101 who belong to the working class; that is the men who own one team and work for wages. The fact that there are men in the No. 101 who are wage workers makes some of the teamsters think that there is a community of interest between the team owners and the teamsters. The members of No. 202 A. F. of L. are not living up to their scale of \$5.50 per day. Scabbing is going on on Main avenue near Washington. Last week Johnson of No. 202 A. F. of L. admitted that he was getting only \$5.00 per day. Johnson is working for Campbell of the team-owners. It seems like a waste of paper to tell about the scabbery of the American Federation of Labor in Spokane. How about this, Tom Maloney?

The Miner's Magazine is publishing an article relative to the life and premature death of George A. Pettibone. While not a long eulogy of this sublime martyr, its beauty is its truth. He did indeed "die as he had lived, with a smile upon his lips, breathing his loyalty to the class in whose interest he was willing to sacrifice his life." The noble army of martyrs has its recruits today and every day. It is the duty of all true union men and women to honor the memory of the heroes and heroines who have spent their lives in the work of upholding the interests of the working class. We honor ourselves and the union when we exalt the names of such men—alas too few—as George A. Pettibone.

It is such men as he whose example fires the heart of the revolutionists. Parsons, Engel, Fischer, Spies, Ling, Pettibone, and all the unnamed dead! What glorious examples! Shall we not keep their memory fresh for us and our children?

Those able to contribute to a fund to erect a suitable monument to George A. Pettibone are asked to forward money to Ernest Mills, 605 Railroad building, Denver, Colo. All such gifts will be acknowledged in the Miner's Magazine.

J. R. Sovereign has written a letter to the Labor World in which this poetic flight is found: "We are wrapping the arms of the mothers, wives, daughters, sisters and sweethearts of Spokane around the dome of the City Hall for Omo (one of the politicians), because we do not want fathers, sons and brothers to go idle while Japs and other foreign scabs are given their places on city work, and our children cry for bread in a city of plenty, and mothers weep for food in the shadows of the palaces of wealth. In supporting him we do not ask that he do an injustice to the rich nor to the lawful business interests of Spokane, but that he do no injustice to the poor." (!) No doubt this politician referred to by Sovereign is an honorable man—so are they all, all honorable men! But the interesting point is that this all comes from a representative A. F. of L. man. Too bad about the "Japs and other foreign scabs" getting the places of the home guard on city work. And then the "mothers weeping for food," etc.,

will be due to the foreigners? Why can't they take in washing like so many of the workers' wives in Spokane? Wouldn't that be better than doing an "injustice" to the rich and business interests? This is the same old game of trying to separate workers on account of race and nation. Strange that the Spokane worker can't see the \$10.00 the boss makes out of his sweat but can only see and be afraid of some other slave as poor as himself who may have a chance to earn \$1.00. Of course Sovereign knows better than this, but any excuse is better than none. If all the American workingmen had the SPIRIT and MANHOOD of the average foreigner there would not be such rotten conditions of work in Spokane as now.

DIRECT ACTION

All moves of the working class which have real value in getting a larger share of the total wealth produced are sure to be misrepresented by the employing class. One need not be a Marxian student to see that all wealth is produced by labor; that laborers get but a small part of the total wealth. Then the employing class gets all the rest and the greater part. Therefore the larger the share of the workers, the less the share of the employers and vice versa. Thus, the continual struggle between the two economic classes. Many and different have been the forms of the class struggle, and as it is THINGS and not THEORIES which cause the struggle, does it not seem likely that those actions of the workers which have real value for them—and therefore dangerous to the employers—will be the most bitterly opposed?

Especially is the above true of those tactics known as "direct action." For those who read only the papers and books printed in the interest of the employing class, the term brings up visions of disorderly mobs, of broken window panes or perhaps of dynamite outrages and the like—so little is the term understood by many. The organized resistance of the working class, on the proper field of industrial action, is the revolutionary power at work. For those who prate of legal and "civilized" methods, such an idea is shocking—horrible! But why is it that the employers would have us use THEIR program in the battle? As for legality, does it not cover all the crimes of society, so they be LEGALLY committed? Is not warfare and bloodshed also "civilized"? The Roman Emperor, Commodus, armed the gladiators, who fought him in the arena, with wooden swords and killed them by the score. A sad day for the working class in the arena of industry when they are content to fight with the weapons approved by the modern Commodus, the industrial employers! On what does the power of the employing class rest, if not on the traditional respect for the laws, customs and methods of society which are founded by the ruling class to enslave the minds and paralyze the courage of the workers? Is it not clear, that being a minority, having but contemptible power by themselves alone, the employers most dread the day when the workers shall throw off all dependence on everything but their own organized force? The method and application of this force must depend on the time and the conditions of each and every struggle. Is an outright strike unwise? Turn out, if necessary, inferior work or annoy the enemy by the guerilla tactics of the "irritant" strike; that is, by sudden and temporary stopping of industry.

Take the struggle for the eight hour day for instance. Of what avail the eight hour laws on the statute books, unless the workers are organized to enforce the eight hour law, and if strong enough organized what need of the law? The forms and applications of DIRECT ACTION are as many as the number of varying conditions, times and chances.

Once free from the quibbles of the lawyers, of the treachery and delay of the politicians, is there anything but ORGANIZATION needed to enable the workers by their own independent and direct efforts to win for themselves concessions, freedom, peace?

THE GUIDING PRINCIPLE

To make a success of any cause, intelligence and earnestness are the great helps against disheartening difficulties and the objections of the ignorant. The success of the INDUSTRIAL UNION does not depend alone on the mere FORM of the organization. It is a fact that the industrial union is the outcome of the experience and thought of the most progressive persons in the labor movement the world over. Not a great deal of argument should be needed to show that in any battle, industrial as well as military, the most strongly united force is the successful one. But even as no two battles are exactly alike, so too are no two struggles in the war between the employers and the workers. How foolish for a general to tie himself down by a set rule or an unchanging plan, when he may meet conditions entirely new, or be forced to fight in an unknown country. So the Industrial Union regards the END to be guided and all means are "right" if suited to that end.

Success depends on united action of the workers, but it is not successful that the details of the FORM and RULES of the union be always fixed or utterly alike. We must be prepared to marshal our forces and dispose of them as best suits the occasion and as will best defeat the enemy. The CLASS FEELING of the workers, and the previous experience had, together with a common knowledge of the end to be gained must be relied on, if necessary, to take the place of any rules made beforehand. When the plans of a battle fall through, and many things arise which were unlooked for, the spirit, and courage of the soldiers saves the day.

Aside from the industrial development of the world today, and the fact that the industrial union is an absolute need of the times, the growing WORKING CLASS FEELING among us is the strongest cause for hope and gives the outlook an ever-cheering view. The feeling that we are all workers together, and that there are no nations among us, and no bounds of race or color, make the success of the union in one land the cause of equal rejoicing in all lands. One flag, one union, one enemy is the modern Carnagie that will shake the world.

Founded on the broad principle of ONE UNION, with the object of doing away with the employing class, there will be little need for us to waste time in quibbles about useless forms or details, and all the more time and energy to spend in leaning DISCIPLINE, and in preparing to meet emergencies.

CLASS FEELING, EDUCATION, COURAGE AND ENERGY and the day is ours!

UNION LABEL AND "UNION MADE"

"The union label shows the article is made by union men and women." Not by a long shot! It shows nothing of the kind. The craft union label shows that PART of the work done on an article was done by men with union cards. Take a pair of shoes for instance: Was it a union farm hand who raised the animal from which came the hide—or a union cowboy? Was it a union butcher who killed the animal? And a union tanner who tanned the hide? And were all the tools used and the tannery made by union labor? Was the thread that sews the shoes made in a union thread factory? Was all the machinery in the shoe factory made by union labor? How about the bricks and wood that the factory is made of—are they all union made? But it would take too long to ask how many industries and branches of industry would have to be union in order to have the shoe entirely union made.

Then what does a craft union label mean? It merely means that PART of the work put into an article, or thing to be sold was done by union labor. Nothing of all this is pointed out by the misleaders of the craft union. Such a line of thought leads naturally to the ONENESS of labor, and shows that to have a union shoe, it is needful to have the whole INDUSTRY organized, and not alone the shoe industry but the related industries as well.

If there was a craft union for each separate step in the making of a shoe from the cow or calf to the wearer, it would take hundreds

of different "union labels" to have a truly union label shoe—even on the craft or trade union basis.

Compare the Industrial Union plan. All workers in any one industry in the same INDUSTRIAL UNION, and all Industrial Unions united. Very easy it is to see why the I. W. W. label on goods or things made must say just WHAT PART or PARTS of the work was done by union labor. Take the paper you are reading, for example. It bears the label of the typographical union. There is no I. W. W. printing plant nearer than Kalispell, and while the I. W. W. does not uphold the old fashioned principles of the craft unions, we recognize in them the effort at unity with all their faults and failures. So the Industrial Worker is not printed in a seign shop. You may depend on that! But it does not follow because union printers set the type and printed the paper that the paper was made in a union factory, or that the ink is union made, or that the printing presses are union made. Not by any means!

An industry becomes centered in fewer and fewer hands, we thus see that in order to control that industry it is necessary for all the workers to unite. The I. W. W. is not a ready-made plan of a few theorists, but the outcome of the needs of workers in relation to the present form of production. The employers are united industrially. We must follow their example in order to fight them with success.

CRAFTERS HATE FREE SPEECH

The refined Christian gentlemen who compose the Spokane City Council have of course "violated" the Constitution of the U. S. by passing a law forbidding a man to talk in public on the streets of Spokane—that is a workingman. But these noble men who could not be bribed—for who ever heard of a crooked politician—now have no fear of the criminal anarchy law. The City Councilmen are all friends of labor, that is friends of the laboring man, for we would not insult these men who rule over the red light district of Spokane by accusing them of doing useful work. There is no danger that the Attorney General will start action against them. Mr. Taft would not allow it. These Councilmen are "friendly" to the American Federation of Labor and Mr. Taft is a member of it. So the City Fathers need not worry about constitutions. Whether it be the national constitution or the constitutions of the union men in the jail for street speaking, it is all one to them. Fair City of the Falls, thou art certainly well protected! With a police judge whose main occupation is to see that the wretched prostitutes pay their tax regularly, with the inspection of marriage licenses that none may escape such payment, and with a Superior Court Judge who has been trained in the same school, we are well governed.

It should be a lesson to those workingmen who are still infected with the superstition of a false patriotism that even those parts of the employers' national constitution which working people used to value are more and more a dead letter. For those who are interested in that sort of thing it might be mentioned that the Constitution of the U. S. says: "The right of the people peacefully to assemble, and to petition the government for redress of grievances shall not be abridged." But what of it? What do you care, workingman, what the constitution says? Is it anything to you when you have NO POWER to enforce the constitution? The action of the petty grafters who fill the Spokane City Hall in repealing the constitution is all right if they can make it stick. That is, it is all right for the employment agents who are willing to pay for the ordinance and who are afraid to have the truth told about their every day crimes. The workingmen in Spokane have no rights unless they have the POWER to enforce those rights, and then what need of "law"? It should be a lesson to every thoughtful person, American or Missourian, that this Spokane City Government from the dog-eatcher down to the police judge are doing all possible to educate the workers to the fact that they have nothing in common with the employing class, and that all these things show the need of ORGANIZATION on the part of the workers.

When a band of robbers and sneak thieves, the employment agents, can prevail on the City Council to violate the supposed liberties of the nation and forbid a union man to talk on the street, will the intelligent and fair-minded workingman longer look for legal redress? Of what use is any appeal to the courts, except to show workingmen that there is no use?

The members of the I. W. W. in Spokane have been clubbed time and again; arrested without warrant and the rooms and dwellings of men active in the union have been broken into and searched; and there has never been so much as an investigation. What are we going to do about it? Well, we do not intend to waste money and energy on the shell game of the law. It is hard to snuff out all we go through and would be foolish if we were not certain that the day is near when we will be a law for ourselves—and then what?

In the meantime, EDUCATE, AGITATE, ORGANIZE!!

THE FINAL ARGUMENT

Here is a front page article from Grandma Durham's Spokane Review:

CASE OF WORK OR EAT LEAD.

Selah Rancher Handles Tramps at Rifle Point.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., March 24.—James Foiles, manager of a hop ranch in the Selah valley, has adopted novel methods in dealing with men who apply at his place for work and then skip after securing a hearty meal. Three men called at the ranch Tuesday and were given bed and meals. After breakfast they were put to work.

After working half an hour they prepared to leave, but were brought back by Foiles at the point of a rifle. All day Foiles and his wife guarded the men with guns, and made them put in a full day. Tramps have kept away from the place since.

This is recommended by such patriotic sheets as the Review for imitation. "Work or eat lead," "rifle diet," etc. It is to be hoped that this rancher will tackle the wrong/min on this rifle business. But why blame the rancher? He is simply acting as militia always does, to force the workingmen into slavery. The position of all employers is that of this wretch of a rancher: supported by the policemen's clubs, the church, and the regular army. Brute force and superstition are the arguments used to meet the working class. But say, you free and independent Americans, what do you think about this rifle business?

LATER: MORE RIFLES NEEDED.

Railroads as Well as Farmers Find This Difficult.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., March 29.—Scarcity of labor in the Yakima valley is causing considerable inconvenience to railroad construction and ranch work. Farmers are calling for help and are unable to secure men to do the spring plowing.

F. L. Stevens of the Priest Rapids railroad was in the city Monday looking for men to work on the branch line of the Milwaukee. There are plenty of men here but few of whom are really looking for honest toil.

Spokane employers and employment sharks should all get guns to round up men who are "looking for honest toil."

All this talk about business improving is rot. Times are duller even than they were last Spring. Rev. Bd. should have the militia drilled for next winter.

Our constant effort will be to improve this paper from week to week. It can be made a hummer if the workingmen who are not afraid will take hold of it even stronger. The MAY DAY EDITION will be the LIMIT. Watch for it and order a bundle in advance. It will be a warm number.

Fat Preachers and Thin Workers

By Fred W. Heslewood.

Superstition is the most debasing form of ignorance, and ignorance is the greatest enemy of the wage worker.

Superstition keeps our minds away from the real issue on earth. That ever-present struggle between the man who lives off the toil of others, and those who do the toil—between those who live in idleness and have everything, and those who work hard and have nothing. It is in the interest of the master class to keep the workers in ignorance and superstition. It is the strongest weapon that can be used against us, and we who know this are not a bit surprised when we see our masters forking out the filchings from the Bible pounders and Psalm singers, as was done in Spokane when \$11,000.00 was handed to Billy Sunday, that Prince of Billingsgate peddlers in the meeting. This money was paid by exploiters of labor, gambling sharks, mining brokers, and profit mongers of all descriptions. Some of these gentlemen who helped give the \$11,000 and who were loudest in the praise of the sulphur mill agent, are not so anxious to pay back to the workmen of the East the money that was filched from them by a lying prospectus telling of the wonderful profits they would derive from some wild cat mining claim; how the diamond drill struck ore at 200 ft. depth; how they had the Le Roi ledge twenty miles off near Roseland, B. C.; how they were now installing machinery (a windlass), and needed heavier machinery, etc., to complete the work of getting down to where the solid gold was located.

Plenty of Suckers.

Yes, thousands of hard working men of the East were gulled by these thieves with their lying literature, and their names are to be found on the list of givers for the Gospel monger who quit playing baseball to starve to death and be crucified for \$11,000 a home run. And why not? It pays to keep such blatherskites on the road preaching superstition. While the slave is being taught to love his master, and his mind calmed with the beauties of a heaven, the wings, harps, and streets of gold, etc., he is not bothering about the increased prices of coal, wood, meat, flour, clothes and shelter. He does not mind his wages going down, and as

for bread lines he is as ignorant of them as a Missouri Mule. Didn't his master tell him that he could not afford to pay more just now, that his business was very slack, and aint his master the superintendent of the Sunday school, takes up the collection at the church, and prays as loud as any of them. He would not lie about it—why would he when they are both going to heaven when they die to play tag with the angels, and romp up the golden stairs? Why wouldn't the master class give large sums of money to the churches, and boost them up when religion teaches the slaves to be contented and to believe all things will be right after death. That God sees everything on earth, and that things are as he wishes it; that all rulers are here by the divine right of the Great I AM (same as Baer got the coal mines of Pennsylvania). So long as the workers believe in this superstition, just so long will they be subservient to their masters, and just that long will the master increase his riches, and the slave heap on his own head more misery and poverty.

"Patience—It's God's Will."

When a child is murdered in a coal mine or factory in the act of producing wealth for his master, the first to appear before the mother is the Psalm singer with the lie in his mouth: that the Lord has called little Willie to his home above to get a set of wings. If this be true, then this same God put Willie in the coal mines to dodge coal cars. If some profit monger has heaped up riches from the sweat and toil of slaves, the sky-pilot is strong on the point that God has rewarded the rascal with riches. The hundreds of little children that were drowned on the General Slocum boat out from New York some time ago, were also called by this man in the clouds, and therefore stands to reason that he stood in with the profit mongers who loaded death preservers with saw-dust instead of cork. A man here a few days ago prayed to some Saint called Anthony to have a watch returned to him that had been misplaced. The watch turned up a few days later and the good man was loud in his praise for this fellow who had brought back the watch. There are millions who pray to this particular ghost when some trivial thing is lost, and as this ghost is

so good on small things, it would be a good thing for society in general if some one who has a stand-in with Anthony would take up the matter of the Unemployed with him, and see what can be done about the bread line, and the four million or more of unemployed. The two million women and little children who slave in the factories of free America, the thousands of girls who are forced into houses of prostitution, the suicides, murders, divorces, hold-ups, drunkenness, and all the other crimes and vices, as the result of ignorance which spells CAPITALISM. Surely this fellow who can find some trinket that has been lost can straighten out more important matters. If there is a more inconsistent fool on earth than the poor dupe who is satisfied with being robbed out of four-fifths of the product of his toil, at the same time wanting freedom after death, I never heard of him.

What we want is men and women who are willing to take and hold the machinery of production and distribution, and operate it for the common good of all. To do this you must get off your knees. Quit playing jack knife with your legs. Stand up in the full posture of a man. Don't kneel down and crawl like a fawning spaniel at the feet of its master. Nature has given us plenty. Take it and use it for all. It was not intended for the few only. Praying will not get it. Only a systematic organization of the wage slaves will accomplish the act. Where we have the most religion, there is where we have the most ignorance, and there is where the workers are hungry and naked; as is proved by the conditions of the workers of Italy, Mexico, Philippines, and other countries where the preachers are fat, and the workers hungry.

Between the Gospel Shark and the beast in human form who lives off the shame of the woman in the brothel, the Gospel Shark is the greater enemy of the two to the workers, and to our freedom. The Employment Shark is a loving brother compared to the oily gab of the Gospel Shark, with his "Lord giveth and Lord taketh away" dope.

Stand up, you slaves.
For Freedom's right;
Be with the braves,
And use your might!

THEY LIKE THE PAPER.

Chicago, Ill., March 23rd, 1909.

The initial number of the "Spokane Industrial Worker" just to hand. Bully for the "Slummers." On glancing over the paper I'll find it to contain the right kind of stuff for the worker who wants to learn and know the Industrial Workers of the World, what it stands for now and its final aim. Let's hope that it will continue along the same lines in the future.

The cartoon is a feature which deserves the attention of everybody who has a bit of sense of humor.

The paper stock is fine and the type easy to read.

Words, words, words. "How mighty is the supply of sound behind which lies no support of deeds," can not be said of the I. W. W. membership on the Pacific Coast.

If there is anything I can do for you, give me particulars.

With success to the "Industrial Worker" and best regards to all the hustlers.
OTTO JUSTH.

KEEP AWAY FROM ENAVILLE.

Enaville, Idaho, Mar. 21.

Notify the boys not to come to Enaville. This man Kennedy is no good. He has a man catcher in Spokane hiring men on the street. He hires men to saw for \$2.50 and men to swamp for \$2.25 and when they get up here there is a cut of 25 cents per day. The man catcher hired eleven of us and paid our fare up here. There is lots of snow and the grub is no good. We are going to stay till we get a round stake and then come back to Spokane. We are all I. W. W. men.

HARVEY PREMO.

FROM I. W. W. HEADQUARTERS.

Chicago, March 24.

The initial issue of the Industrial Worker is a credit to the organization in Spokane and will help to prove to the friends and enemies of the I. W. W. alike that the organization is still kicking. Passing the Fellow Workers of Spokane bouquets will not be of very much material benefit to them and so, in this regard you can consider that your time and mine is saved and that everything that I could or should

say in the way of congratulations has been said.

VINCENT ST. JOHN.
Gen. Secy. Treas.

FROM GREAT FALLS, MONT.

Great Falls, March 27.

I left Spokane in a box car Pullman and got to Great Falls forty-eight hours later, and rode most of the way on my union card. I can say that an I. W. W. card is good on the Great Northern. I have been working six days at a smelter here at \$3.00 for eight hours. After that, I worked on a building. I was not working one hour before a man came up and asked for my union card. He was the business agent of the I. W. W. and told me to transfer to the local union here. There is not much agitating here against the employment sharks and I will see what I can do in the next business meeting. I have made a stink around the employment offices here and have been ordered out of them, time and again. Have already made the acquaintance of the chief-of-police and told him that I would do all in my power to put the employment sharks on the bum. I will see if I can start street meetings here in front of the sharks' places of business and sing our beautiful songs. One shark told me that I need not think that I could put him on the bum because I have an I. W. W. button, but I have already forced him to dig up some \$7.00 which he robbed from four men. How is the Spokane Local Union and the Industrial Worker? Send me some papers.

PETER JOHN BOEGEM.

New Hall for Seattle I. W. W.

The I. W. W. in Seattle has moved from 203 Washington St. to a new hall at 308 James St. Remember this when you go to Seattle or write.

Keep Away from Portland.

It's on the bum in Portland and the town is black with men who are dead on the hog and hungry—worse than Spokane! HANLEY & O'NEILL, two damned employment sharks, have peddled thousands of cards around Spokane advertising for 5,000 men to go to Portland. Keep away.

I. W. W. IS GROWING

A branch of No. 317 Buffalo was organized Mar. 2 with 49 members.

Building Constructors Industrial Union of Cheyenne, Wyo., was chartered Jan. 20 with 21 charter members.

One branch of the long shore workers in New Orleans have voted unanimously to become a part of the I. W. W.

Teamsters branch of a transportation workers local at Kalispell was organized by Fellow Worker F. W. Heslewood Mar. 23.

A propaganda league was organized at Buffalo on Feb. 8, and now has 53 members and is carrying on an active campaign for industrial union in that vicinity.

General Organizer Trautmann, during his visit to New Bedford and Lawrence, Mass., started a German and Bohemian branch of the textile workers at those points.

Longshoremen of Tacoma, Wash., applied for a charter on March 23. The local starts with a membership of 20 and will carry on an active propaganda for industrial union in that vicinity.

Propaganda League of Chicago opens local headquarters at 302 Wells St. April 1. The Propaganda League and the Chicago locals will carry on an active agitation for industrial union this summer.

Public Service Workers Local No. 258 was reorganized Mar. 16 by Rhyolite Miners Union No. 235. The reorganized local intends to carry on an active campaign for industrial union in that part of the country.

Since November 1st, G. E. B. member Editor has organized locals of coal miners at the following points in the anthracite region: Pittston, Parsons, Jessup, Plainsville, and a general laborers' union at Scranton—all in Pennsylvania.

Workers of Highland Falls, N. Y., employed on government construction work were forced to go on strike March 18. They wired for G. E. B. member Editor who responded and succeeded in organizing a local with 200 charter members. The strike was settled next day. Terms of the settlement and particulars will follow.

ANOTHER FIGHT.

Kalispell, Mont., Mar. 28.

The 200 papers arrived O. K. and they sold well at the street meeting last night. We took in \$1.75. We are going up against a street ordinance in a few days as a result of the influence of Mr. Capitalist, which shows who has the power. I will fight the proposition as the men in Spokane have fought it, and I think we

POOL WORKINGMEN AND UNHUNG CRIMINALS.

The union has a receipt from the Great Northern Employment Office at 222 Washington St., which was turned in by some of the Bulgarians who had been robbed as follows:

"Received from Nick Danega \$81.00 office fee for 27 Bulgarians going to-morrow on extra gang G. N. Ry. to Albany Falls.
"March 22, 1909."
(Signed) FRED WOELBER.

Of course these men never got any job from the Great Northern Employment

OUT IN THE JUNGLES

These items may not interest those far away from Spokane and the "Inland Empire," but for the transient worker this should be the leading article in the paper. There are more men out of a job now than ever before, and how to navigate on the road is a good thing to know. We begin today, leaving Spokane on the Northern Pacific and going west. The first station is Marshall Junction.

Nothing doing. It is a small farmer town and the place is hostile and there are two bulls, but you can eat there if you throw out your feet. Don't stop at Cheney unless you get ditched. The through freights pull right through Cheney unless they take water. Sprague is next. Twenty-five miles from Cheney. This is another hoodier town, and it has been battered to death this last winter. You may eat there, but you will have your troubles. A little ranch work is all in Sprague.

The next stop of any size is Ritzville. The jungles are out at the fair grounds, about a mile west of the town. There is a sheriff in Ritzville, but he is generally out fishing. Chewings are fair in Ritzville. Try and make them believe you are German. Lind is the next stop. She takes coal and water at Lind and there may be a little work on the ranches out of Lind. The dust is fierce and they are a lot of howlery ranchers and cheap. The jungles in Lind are about a mile to the east of the station, but you will have to pick your water from the water tank near the station. She's pretty rocky!

"Keep Your Eye on Pasco."

From Lind to Pasco there are nothing but jerk stations and hoodier wheat stations and God help the stiff that gets ditched at most of them. Pasco is a holy fright, now there are men there for every tie in the track. Right across the Columbia River from Pasco is Kennewick. It is two miles from Pasco. There is rail road work around there on the Milwaukee and the North Coast, etc. But Porter Bros. and Pat Welch have laid off a lot of men and the jungles all around Pasco are swarming. You can cook or boil up anywhere, almost around Pasco, but it is better down by the river, for there is water and no one to bother. An I. W. W. card will carry you on almost any freight train west of Spokane and there are several I. W. W. train crews that are all right.

Next week we will have some more detailed information from some of the boys who are out on the road.

ALONG THE PEND D'OREILLE.

Fellow Worker W. Melloy of No. 434 says that the tie making jobs along the line of the I. W. & N. R. R. are a poor proposition as a general thing. We hear from all over that the grub in those railroad camps is the absolute limit for rotten. Better stay on the road and jungle up than go up along the Pend d'Oreille.



St. Patrick Drove the Snakes From Ireland—I. W. W. Will Drive Them Off the Earth

can fill the jail all right, and as there is no rock pile and the teamsters will not haul any, and I don't know how to break rock anyhow, I think we will do all right. There will be no trouble to get rid of the 200 papers, I believe, if we can get onto the streets. The Union decided to take 50 a week but I believe we can do better than that.—Will try and get out something juicy for the next paper and will get at it today.

FRED W. HESLEWOOD.

Office and the crook who runs the joint is not in jail and never will be. This employment graft is the biggest thing in town. But we will give them all the law they want before long—our kind of law.

The G. N. Employment Co. has just received a batch of Italians from St. Paul to go to work for \$1.30 per day April 1, on the G. N. section. The G. N. has paid \$1.60. The Employment Offices are the headquarters for scabs. But "there'll come a time some day."

This is where the road branches, one line going west and the other for the famous Palouse. There is nothing but the regular spring work in the Palouse country now. Sixteen hours a day, sleep in the straw stack and \$25 per month is about all. At Marshall Junction there are two or three small camps, railroad work at \$2.00 per day and \$5.25 per week for board, hospital fee of \$1.00 per month. You might get on here but they are apt to be full. Cheney is eight miles west of Marshall.

CAPITALIST RULE AND HOW TO END IT

(By Joe Duddy, Kamspell, Mont.)

To-day we are confronted by the most serious problem in our lives and that is how to make a living under the present rule of the capitalists in this country. What shall we do to solve this great problem before us? Are we to lie down like cowards and take the paltry starvation wages which they hand us at the end of the week or month, or rise up and assert our manhood by joining an organization whose main object is the complete overthrow of the capitalist system which is running this country?

What Does the Boss Care?

What do you expect: do you think some pot-bellied capitalist will come along and put you on the back and tell you there will be prosperous times and lots of work in a few more days? If you do, you will get badly left, because it is immaterial to him whether you are working or not, so long as the slaves that are working for him produce all the wealth he requires. Do you think those fellows care a cent what your conditions are or where your next meal is coming from? No, they don't! They want to drive you down so low that you will either have to kill yourself for decency's sake, or else join the bread-lines in order to get a mouthful to eat to help keep the vital spark in your body.

Skimmed Milk Here, Cream Over There!

These bread-lines are started by the capitalists through their able assistants such as the church, the Salvation Army, and the Volunteers of America; this much we will have to admit. Fellow Workers, But WHY? So that these willing tools of theirs may preach the gospel to you and tell you to put your trust in the Lord, and at the same time drilling into your mind to be generous and kind to your benefactors who are feeding you and when you go back to work again, to obey and serve your master faithfully because he who suffers most in this world has peace and a pair of beautiful wings in the next. All of this hot air we have listened to long enough. It is time to abolish these superstitious ideas about the next world—it will take care of itself! So let us settle down and take care of ourselves in this world.

Union Is Strength.

Fellow Workers: Do you think we can overcome our enemy, the capitalist, by each man taking the burden on his own

MEETING TIME OF THE I. W. W. LOCAL UNIONS, SPOKANE, WASHINGTON.

Building Constructors Local Union, No. 223, meets Mondays at 8 p. m.
Hotel and Restaurant Workers' Local Union, No. 132, meets Wednesdays at 8 p. m.
Public Service Workers' Local Union, No. 434, meets Fridays at 7 p. m.
Italian Branch, No. 2, of Local Union, No. 434, meets Tuesdays at 8 p. m.
Austrian Branch, No. 1, of Local Union, No. 434, meets Thursdays at 8 p. m.
Mixed Local Union, No. 222, meets Sundays at 3 p. m.

Executive committee, composed of two delegates from each union and branch, meets Saturdays at 8 p. m.

All meetings are held at the large headquarters, rear 412-14-16-18-20 Front Avenue, Spokane, Washington.

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shoulders and acting as a unit for himself? No, we can not! We can overcome him only by each man organizing industrially and fighting as a whole body, then and not until then, will we be able to overcome our enemy. Do you think for one minute that the capitalists are fighting the wage earners as individual capitalists? Indeed, they are not, because they realize that if they did not organize industrially, they would go to the wall themselves. An old capitalist was teaching his son the business. He showed the boy a bundle of sticks and tried with all his might to break them all at once, but could not. The old man cut the string which bound the sticks together, and breaks them one by one very easily. "That is a bun joke," said the boy. "It is no joke, but an illustration," said the old man. "The bundle of sticks represents organization which is very desirable to capitalists, but on the other hand very criminal for laborers. So, my boy, always keep your capital sticks tied together and your labor sticks separate." Does not this illustration show some of you thick-heads the power of organization? Capitalists need organization to keep their present standing. That being the case, why does not labor have an organization on the same plan? Wake up, you thick-heads, and start that cog in your brains which must be blocked up, and join the Industrial Workers of the World and help drive the capitalist out of the country. Hurry up! the sooner you act, the better off you will be.

IT'S A LONG LANE THAT HAS NO TURN

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public by a brute and the brute allowed to escape?

No Violence!

The Industrial Workers of the World is a labor union. We do not appeal to violence. It is the last thing we desire. Nevertheless it is not the duty of self-respecting people to allow such outrages as this committed on Roe and this kind of thing should be stopped. It will be stopped—and stopped effectually by those interested. In the meantime these incidents are commended to the notice of the heroes and saints who compose the Spokane police force and the employment agents association.

GOOD WORK AT SEATTLE

Seattle, Wash., March 28, 1909.

Your letter of the 8th inst. received, and contents noted. I have been working till 9 and 9:30 p. m., so have not had much time to write, and yet I have had quite a lot of correspondence to attend to. I read your letter to the boys, and told them that had time to write something for Spokane, which Conahan did. Notice the change of address above. We were drove out of the old hall by mosquitoes. The result of the trip to Granite Falls resulted in getting 29 members, with lots of promises, by others that they would join when they were financially able, with the sale of literature and buttons, the result was about \$80.00.

Jerry Smith is out on a trip in the camps—left here last Monday. He is speaking in some place on Whiby Island. Let all the secretaries in Spokane know our new address, and you might mention the fact in the Spokane Industrial Worker so that the membership will know where to come when in Seattle.

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In Boundary Country.

Grand Forks, B. C.

Received copy of your paper. I think it's the best of all Labor or Socialist papers I have ever seen. There seems to be no holding back of news that is of real interest and benefit to working men. One thing is sure, the Editor is not afraid to criticize the crookedness in the City Hall. The paper has done me a great amount of good. I am sure the benefit to working men can not be imagined and in a short time people will be surprised to learn the great good the I. W. W. has accomplished for the workers. I venture to predict that employment sharks in a year from now will be a thing of the past.

JAMES E. GOWEY.

WHITES CHEAPER THAN CHINKS

"During the last trip of the steamer Lillie to Mobile, a rather novel incident took place, namely, a strike among the Chinese firemen and sailors. They not only struck for higher wages than the white men asked, but succeeded in getting them. The Lillie has been trading out of this country for some years and is well known to the seamen of the Gulf, as a Chinese ship, as she always carries a crew of that nationality.

"It happened that the two years' contract of this particular crew expired, and the ship having still another trip to make before going North, the master was in a serious predicament, as the crew refused to sail for another trip, and according to the laws of the United States he could not land them in this country, knowing also that it would be impossible to get a white crew out of Mobile to sail even as far as Philadelphia, where a new crew of Chinese awaited him. At last in despair he asked the Chinamen what they would take the ship around for, and when the sailors demanded \$2 per day, and the firemen \$2.50 a day the captain was forced to pay the increase asked. Consequently the Lillie left Mobile with the highest-paid crew on the Gulf.

"The shipowners who employ Chinese crews may be up against a serious proposition if the Orientals get into the habit of doing things of this kind, and may yet come to the conclusion that after all, the reliable white seamen are the most economical in the end."

The above is taken from the Seamen's Journal and tells in the last few lines the futility of a craft organization. The Chinese were industrially organized on the above mentioned boat, and as a result received more pay than the so-called "white" sailors.

The need of having our own music, and especially the advantage of having our own brass band, should be plain to every member of the I. W. W. in Spokane. The band meets to practice, in the Union Hall, rear 412-20 Front Avenue, every Wednesday night at 8 o'clock. It would not be necessary here to point out the effect of music and how powerful it is in rousing men to action. It is enough to say that the army, the navy, the church and the state use the effect of music to excite and sway the working class against each other.

We propose to use the effect of music to stimulate the worker to fight his master.

The eastern and aristocracies of labor are a disgrace to the "free-born" American. Why should not the porter, for instance, belong to the same union as the cooks or the waiters? If the porter is good enough to work with the cook and the waiter, why is not the porter eligible to be in the same union?



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